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Long's Men Annihilates Crushing Defeat to Commuters

SEALS GET OUT AXES AND CHOP DOWN OAKS

Mohler's Men Trim Transbay Players in Afternoon Game by Score of 17 to 1

By WILLIAM J. SLATTERY

Oakland has relieved San Francisco of the honor of being the most decisively thrashed baseball team in the Coast league in one single day. Up to yesterday afternoon, the transbay fans were giving the home guard the once over and slipping them many a laugh on account of that 13 to 2 drubbing of Saturday afternoon. But there was a sudden and a sensational switch yesterday afternoon, when Oakland became the fall team with a 17 to 1 crusher marked against it. This looks like a record.

Decisive as it was, the victory certainly was about due, for the victorious streak of the transbay aggregation was unbroken when the morning game across the bay had been concluded. Oakland landed for the fifth time without a break and the score was 2 to 1, all of which means that Oakland waltzed away with the series, five games out of seven. No wonder San Francisco was entitled to a 17 to 1 victory.

And such a slaughter as it was! The fans may wait for years and years ere they see another one like it. Just figure it out in your mind, you fan who was not present to see it. Seventeen large and juicy runs, flanked by sixteen hits of the same brand. Four pitchers, including the Oakland boss, mounted the slab and there was apparently no difference in the brand of twisters which they flung. Each was as soft as his predecessor.

And while this terrible chopping block act was being enacted, Harry Sutor was on his way to make a world's record, namely, two no-hit no-run games in a single week. In fact, he traveled over eight-ninths of the journey, for his record was clean one till the ninth spasm, when to the Oakland warriors charged and got a run and four binglers.

The 10,000 fans were holding their breaths and pulling might and main for the big southpaw when Oakland came up for its final locks. But the pulling ended very quickly, as Monte Pfiel landed on a fast one and away it went into the right garden for a single. Of course, Sutor did not care much what happened after that. It did not make much difference to him.

Just for a side play, the Seals' off-handed twister winged just 14 of the Commuters to the bench on three strikes. This is the best record made on the local lot during the present season and the second best on any lot in the league. The very best was made by the 17 strike outs by Sutor to stomp up in Sacramento a few weeks ago.

But the fans did not notice the strikeouts so much as they did the binglers which kept leaving the bats of the Seals to the cutter. The game started till the home guard tried itself out in the ninth after slaming Oakland and every remaining runner up in Sacramento a few weeks ago.

Mr. Wiggs was the first victim of the Seals' force onslaught. He lasted just two thirds of an inning, when the time the native batsmen tapped his gentle offerings for five tallies and four whops.

Powell was the leader of the parade, landing on Pfiel's error. McArdle came right on the bat and a racker. Tennant hit to Wares. The ball was pegged over to Pfiel when Powell swung for home. Pfiel pitched off the bag and threw to catch the Seal left fielder. But Powell landed and of course Tennant was ready to start. Pfiel's foot was several feet away from the bag.

This mused things up nicely and Melchior made it a full house with another safe drive. Cap Mohler's eye was right on the ball and he snapped it for the third drive, chasing McArdle and Tennant in ahead of him. Vitt bunted Melchior's way and registered Mohler with a hit to left.

Mr. Wiggs was thoroughly disheartened, badly shaken and ready to stretch by this time. Cap Wollerton took pity on him and called for Christian to grab hold of the ball. This game little Oakland slapper got by very nicely for the balance of the inning, but the Seals were only kidding him, and in the second they started once more and drove him to the woods in 10 minutes, clearing away the path.

This time McArdle walked and Tennant drove him around to third with a hit. Pfiel again pitched to the catcher and Tennant stole and McArdle came home on Pfiel's bad throw of Melchior's easy bouncer. Tennant pitched up by two and was bunted home by Mohler.

This inning saw the finish of Christian. His place was taken by slim boy, Nelson. It marked his appearance on the local slab this season, and it is to be hoped he will start again if the next one is to be so significant like the initial effort.

The game was lucky enough to get by with only one tally registered against him up to the sixth. Ten another bunting horror was enacted and the one was good for five aces. After McArdle had waited for the bad ones, Tennant picked off another hit and Melchior and Mohler took free trips to first, forcing Mac over the pan. Oscar Vitt pointed the way to the sacker to the clubhouse, which cleaned up the sacks. Rather than see the youngster die there, Harry Sutor pitched ball—Wolverton and Knight, by Miller. Double play—Vitt to Tennant. Time of game, one hour and 35 minutes. Umpire—McGregory.

They allowed Slim to remain in the box for just one more round. Then Wolverton sprung himself as a slasher. It's many a long day since Harry tried to bend one over the pan, and his actions showed the crowd that perhaps the Seals acted in an unclublike manner by sousing the old man the way they did. The crowd peppered him for three runs and three hits and brought the grand total up to 17.

The suspense was intense when the fans awoke to the realization that Sutor was within an inning of a world's record, but the hopes were dashed when Pfiel, the first Commuter to face Harry in the history of the game. He did not care much after that and in a twinkling Cutshaw, Wares and Wollerton responded with drives and Oakland had a run.

Such a remarkable game was, perhaps, never played in the Coast league. The seventeenth run stunt of the Seals was remarkable enough, but it had nothing on the eight-inning runless, hitless ball pitched by Sutor. Not to mention the 14 batsmen he whiffed away. The only record is that he could not have established a world's record. The score:

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Locals Half Game Behind Leaders

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

Table with columns for W, L, Pct. Rows for Portland, San Francisco, Vernon, Oakland, Sacramento, Los Angeles.

RESULTS OF GAMES Oakland 2, San Francisco 1. San Francisco 17, Oakland 1. Vernon 8, Los Angeles 6. Los Angeles 6, Vernon 2. Sacramento 2, Portland 1. No Games Scheduled Today

The results of yesterday's games in the Pacific Coast league failed to affect the positions of any of the clubs, though San Francisco drew up a peg nearer Portland by breaking even with Oakland while the Beavers were being trimmed on their own diamond by the Senators. Portland is but half a game in the lead now, so San Francisco's chances look bright in the next series. Oakland and Vernon are still tied for third place, each having won 16 and lost 7 games. The Senators are close behind them, while the trailing Angels appear to be out of it for a while.

SENATORS FIND BEAVER PITCHER

Make Two Runs in First Inning Off New Arrival, and It's Sufficient

PORTLAND, April 30.—Sacramento scored two runs in the first inning of the game today, and they were enough to capture the contest, 2 to 1.

Harry Fanwell, a recruit from Cleveland, was in the box for McCredie and he may be charged with the defeat, although he pitched well except for a period in the first.

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VERNON WINS ONE, HITTED ANGELS

Criger Is Easy Mark for Batters in Morning, but Tozer Puzzles

LOS ANGELES, April 30.—Bill Tozer pitched his first game of the season this afternoon and defeated Vernon 2 to 2, showing all his old time class at fooling opposing batters and coming out of the game without showing or feeling the slightest effects from the bullet wounds in his shoulders.

Vernon landed on him for two hits and a brace of passes in the opening inning and scored two runs, all that got, but he settled down thereafter and pitched great ball, allowing only three hits and nary a base on balls in the remaining eight innings.

This victory gave the Angels two in six games with the Villagers, Vernon winning the morning fuss by an 8 to 6 score in a ragged game, despite that only one error is charged in the official score.

Raleigh pitched nearly seven innings of the morning game, but weakened in the seventh, when the Angels scored four runs. He retired in favor of Willett, who finished out the round and then gave way to Hitt, who officiated in the remaining innings.

Criger worked seven rounds for the Angels and allowed the Villagers eight hits and six runs, when Couchman took charge.

In the fourth inning, with two out and one run scored, Stinson knocked the ball over the fence, scoring two runners ahead of him.

More than 8,000 fans turned out to see the afternoon game. They not only saw a good game of ball, but were treated to the scrappiest yet played between the rival home teams. During its progress the Vernon players made things so interesting for Umpire Finney that he fired Patterson, Burrell and Hitt, who were charged with crabbing at decisions.

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ZACKERT AND JOSS EASY FOR BATTERS

Seattle Slabsters Touched Up by Portland Players for Twelve Hits and a Win

SEATTLE, April 30.—Portland defeated Seattle in the last game of the series, 5 to 3. The visitors hit Zackert and Joss hard and opportunely, while the locals were unable to do much with Bloomfield's offerings after the first inning. Score:

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